

## Office of the Secretary of Defense

## § 169a.15

(d) Approval or disapproval of in-house performance of new requirements involving a capital investment of \$500,000 or more will not be redelegated below the level of DAS or equivalent.

(e) Approval to budget for a major capital investment associated with a new requirement will not constitute OSD approval to perform the new requirement with DoD personnel. Government performance shall be determined in accordance with this part.

### **§ 169a.13 CAs involving forty-five or fewer DoD civilian employees.**

(a) When adequately justified under the criteria required in Appendix C to this part, CAs involving 11 to 45 DoD civilian employees may be competed based on simplified cost comparison procedures and 10 or fewer DoD civilian employees may be directly converted to contract without the use of a simplified cost comparison. Such conversion shall be approved by the DoD Component's central point of contact office having the responsibility for implementation of this part. Part IV of the Supplement to OMB Circular A-76 and Appendix C to this part shall be utilized to define the specific elements of costs to be estimated in the simplified cost comparison.

(b) In no case shall any CA involving more than forty-five employees be modified, reorganized, divided, or in any way changed for the purpose of circumventing the requirement to perform a full cost comparison.

(c) The decision to perform a simplified cost comparison on a CA involving military personnel and 11 to 45 DoD Civilian employees reflects a management decision that the work need not be performed in-house. Therefore, all direct military personnel costs will be estimated in the simplified cost comparison (see Appendix C to this part) on the basis of civilian performance.

(d) A most efficient and cost-effective organization analysis certification is required for studies involving 11 to 45 DoD civilian employees (see Appendix C to this part).

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### **§ 169a.14 Military personnel commercial activity.**

Commercial activities performed exclusively by military personnel not subject to deployment in a combat, combat support, or combat service support role may be converted to contract without a cost comparison, when adequate competition is available and reasonable prices can be obtained from qualified commercial sources.

### **§ 169a.15 Special considerations.**

(a) Signals Intelligence, Telecommunications (SIGINT) and Automated Information System (AIS) security.

(1) Before making a determination that an activity involving SIGINT as prescribed in Executive Order 12333, and AIS, security should be subjected to a cost comparison, the DoD Component shall specifically identify the risk to national security and complete a risk assessment to determine if the use of commercial resources poses a potential threat to national security. Information copies of the risk assessment and a decision memorandum containing data on the acceptable and/or unacceptable risk will be maintained within the requesting DoD Component's contracting office.

(2) The National Security Agency (NSA) considers the polygraph program an effective means to enhance security protection for special access type information. The risk to national security is of an acceptable level if contractor personnel assigned to the maintenance and operation of SIGINT, Computer Security (COMPUSEC) and Communications Security (COMSEC) equipment agree to an aperiodic counter-intelligence scope polygraph examination. The following clause should be included in every potential contract involving SIGINT, Telecommunications, and AIS systems:

Contract personnel engaged in operation or maintaining SIGINT, COMSEC or COMPUSEC equipment or having access to classified documents or key material must consent to an aperiodic counter-intelligence scope polygraph examination administered by the Government. Contract personnel who